Joshua 4:1-7 ENDING WELL

Use this discussion guide during one of your final Community Group meetings before the end of the season. The way you end the Community Group season matters! This resource will help you celebrate what God has done in your group this season, and anticipate what He might do in the future.

READ JOSHUA 4:1-7

• The Children of Israel have just experienced God's miraculous blessings again - He dried up the Jordan River, allowing the entire nation to cross into Canaan on dry land. Once the people were safely across the river, God instructed Joshua to build a monument of twelve stones. These memorial stones were to serve as a reminder to the Israelites of the faithful love of God for generations to come.

CELEBRATE LIFE TOGETHER

- Talk about a "memorial stone" from this last year an experience that reminds you of God's faithful love.
- · What is one of your favorite memories from the life that our group shared this season?
- If you could go back and do one thing differently during our time together as a group, what would it be? Why?

PURSUE CELEBRATE LEARNING TOGETHER

- In what ways have you learned to be more like Jesus as a result of this group?
- What change have you seen in the life of one of the other group members? How did that transformation challenge and inspire you in your own spiritual journey?

CREATING SPACE FOR OTHERS

- One of our 9 Essentials of a Healthy Group is "Multiplication." In our Community Group Agreement that we
 adopted at the beginning of this season, we committed to "invite others to this group, and plan to start new
 groups, so that more people can experience life change together." How successful were we with this goal?
- Is now the right time for our group to multiply to allow for more people to experience life and learning together?
 - If not, why not?
 - · If so, how will we multiply?

PLAN YOUR NEXT STEPS

- Although the weekly group meetings are ending for this season, the relationships you have in your group don't need to end. As a group, brainstorm about some future activities that you could begin to plan right now.
 - TIPS: How can your group serve together, relax together, reach out together, road trip together, etc.
- · Are there specific next steps that you need to take to personally be more like Jesus?
 - TIPS: Do you need to get baptized, set up a daily Bible reading plan, attend membership class, invite someone to church, etc.?

PRAY WITH EACH OTHER

- · Pray for wisdom for yourself as you take your best next step in being more like Jesus.
- Pray for the specific challenges and opportunities that others in your group will be facing in the near future.
- Pray for people out there who need to experience life and learning together, and who may end up being in a
 your Community Group next season.

PROVIDE CLARITY

• Before your meeting ends, be sure to communicate clearly about what happens next. Don't leave your group confused about the future! How will your group multiply? Who will be leading and co-leading? Who will be in the new group? What is the plan for the group until meetings resume next season? Etc.

